

SANCTUARY WHALE TALES

Maui 's Volunteer Newsletter



Hawai`i National Marine Sanctuary Foundation

The Hawai`i National Marine Sanctuary Foundation became an official chapter on July 13, 2012. The Chapter Board of Directors is comprised of two representatives each from the islands of Kauai, Oahu, Maui and Hawai`i. This group will meet in Honolulu in late September to finalize their Operational Plan. In the meantime, each island is still working on their island specific programs. What this means to the Kihei campus and West Maui is that funds raised in those locations will be kept in specific accounts at the National Marine Sanctuary Foundation in Silver Springs, Maryland and will be used by the location that generated the funds. The Hawai`i Chapter will be supported by an 8% administration fee from all sources of income in the islands as well as programs driven by the Foundation's efforts. For instance, if the Hawai`i Chapter were to secure a sponsorship or partner agreement on its own, then, revenue generated from that would go to the Chapter to benefit all islands.

The Benefit of being a single Hawai`i Chapter is synergy. Our ability to share collateral and ideas across all of the islands will extend our reach. The benefit of being part of the National Organization is that we operate under their 501c umbrella and will benefit from their already established brand recognition.

As we move forward, I'll keep you all up to speed on the efforts of each island. If you have any questions about the Hawai`i National Marine Sanctuary Foundation, email me at lynetteponcin@mac.com.



Members
of Hawai`i
Chapter
and NOAA
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June and
July 2012



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Come Join Our FREE Award-Winning Training October 2012 !



- 10/9 Hawaiian Cultural Perspectives
- 10/11 Humpback Whales
- 10/16 Monk Seals and Count Training
- 10/18 Odontocetes: Toothed Whales & Dolphins
- 10/23 Humpback Whale Songs & Reproductive Strategies
- 10/25 West Maui Topics & Community Involvement Opportunities



Online Registration and Details: <http://www.oceanawarehawaii.org/>

Locations subject to
change. Check on
line before you go!

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Plan to attend *one, several or all six classes.*

Dates: **Lahaina 6-Class Series:** Tuesdays & Thursdays, Oct 9, 11, 16, 18, 23 & 25.

Location: Tues. Oct 9, Thurs. Oct 11, Tues. Oct 16. – The first 3 evenings will be at
Na 'Aikane O Maui Cultural Center: 562A Front Street, Lahaina, HI 96761. There is free off-street
parking next to the Shigesh Wakida Tennis Courts and 3-hour free parking in the public lot next door.
Thurs. Oct 18, Tues. 23, Thurs. Oct 25. – The last 3 evenings will be at
Whalers Village Museum: 2345 Kaanapali Parkway G-8, Lahaina, HI 96761.
Use stair or elevator to museum on the third floor. 3 Hour parking will be validated at the museum.

Save Your Spot Now! Please Register Online Above.

(Or call Patty Miller at 1-888-55-WHALE ext. 258 for more information.)



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Day Octopus at Kapahua Bay, Photo and story by Serena Neff

Day Octopus *Octopus cyanea* Gray, 1849
Hawaiian: He'e maui

Hawaii has many octopi but the Day Octopus is the most commonly seen one for snorkelers, especially in the early morning and late afternoon (its "night" counterpart has two tentacles slightly longer than the remaining six). This master of disguise is an expert at camouflage. From color changes to texture changes, the Day Octopus can blend in with coral of all species if it cannot hide quickly; these changes can also signify the mood of the octopus. The usual coloration is a grayish brown, with a reddish brown appearing if startled and a bleached white version to convey aggression. One particular Day Octopus was observed changing over 1,000 times during a seven-hour period. A midden of crustacean shells can indicate a Day Octopus den and perhaps even the animal itself, if its not already out foraging for crabs, mollusks and sometimes, even fish. Octopi are able to drill a hole in shells with their hard beak mouths and secrete poisonous saliva to stun or kill the prey within; beachcombers often find cowry shells intact, with the exception of this small hole on top. Mating involves a literal "handoff" of spermatophores (packages of sperm) from male to female; this way, the male can avoid being eaten by his mate! The female will then lay the fertilized eggs within her den, constantly siphoning water over the eggs until they hatch; as she will no longer leave her eggs to forage, she soon starves and dies. Most Day Octopi live for about one year, reaching a body size of 6 inches plus 32 inches in additional arm length. A keen eye and slow movements are needed to spot these fast moving and well-hidden reef animals!

Yard Sale and Bake Sale

We will be holding a Bake Sale and Garage Sale on October 6, 2012 at the Sanctuary. Please bring goods to donate for the sale to the garage at the Kihei Sanctuary site. Call before you plan to go to make sure someone will be there to open the garage. Nancy has a sign up list for those that can help on Friday, to price, and Saturday to help at the sale. Please help.

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Holomua Na Honu



Volunteers Mike Rineer & Bob Aldrich

The HIHWNMS was represented at the Holomua Na Honu on August 23, 2012. Five greenback turtles were released into the ocean at this event. Sealife Park, Oahu, previously sent the turtles to the Maui Ocean Center, where they have been fed and grown to a size that increases the chances of their survival. The release took place at the Grand Wailea Resort.



From left, Darla White and Liz Foote presenting at the Spring 2012 Ocean Awareness Training in Lahaina."

Getting To Know You



Curt and Susan Fladager

Susan helps at the Visitor Center on Friday mornings and with school groups when her work schedule allows. She has helped at Maui Ocean Center and some special events. She says she especially loves to help on the Whale Watch boat and has volunteered for 3 1/2 years. Curt works full time at Haleakala National Park supervising the entrance station. He became a volunteer at the Sanctuary this year and helps with maintenance. Otherwise you will find him at the beach or at Salvation Army shopping.

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South Maui

*Hawaiian Islands Humpback
Whale National Marine Sanctuary
726 South Kihei Road,
Kihei, HI 96753 (808) 879-2818*

West Maui

*Whaler Village Shopping Center
Whalers Museum
2435 Ka'anapali Parkway
Lahaina, HI 96761 (808) 661-4567*

October 2012

*Email: cmatzke@sailtrilogy.com in advance to hold spot and confirm cleanup date.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM Kihei	3	4 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM and 2 PM Lahaina 11AM Kihei	5 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM and 2 PM Lahaina	6 Yard and Bake Sale 7 AM Kihei
7 *Trilogy's Blue 'Aina Campaign 8:30 AM	8	9 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM Kihei	10	11 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM and 2 PM Lahaina 11AM Kihei	12 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM and 2 PM Lahaina	13
14	15	16 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM Kihei	17 Volunteer Meeting 6-8 PM Kihei	18 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM and 2 PM Lahaina 11AM Kihei	19 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM and 2 PM Lahaina	20
21	22	23 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM Kihei	24	25 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM and 2 PM Lahaina 11AM Kihei	26 45 Ton Whale Talk 11 AM and 2 PM Lahaina	27 Volunteer Expo 2012 11AM-2PM Queen Kaahumanu Mall in Kahului
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